



public housing setting. He also states that he has more than 30 credit hours of planning course work and he submits a transcript. In support, the Planning Director reiterates the appellant's experience and indicates that the second internship was from September 2017 to February 2018. The Planning Director reviewed the transcripts and found more than 30 credit hours in Planning.

### CONCLUSION

*N.J.A.C.* 4A:4-2.3(b) provides that applicants shall meet all requirements specified in the open competitive examination announcement by the closing date. *N.J.A.C.* 4A:4-2.1(f) provides that an application may only be amended prior to the announced closing date. *N.J.A.C.* 4A:1-1.2(c) states that the Civil Service Commission may relax a rule for good cause in particular situations, on notice to affected parties, in order to effectuate the purposes of Title 11A, New Jersey Statutes.

Initially, the appellant was correctly found ineligible for the subject examination. He was credited with five months of experience in his provisional position, and not provide any additional experience on his application. Additionally, the substitution clause was the 30 semester hour credits in planning course work, and related fields were not acceptable. However, the examination was cancelled, the appellant continues to serve provisionally in the title under test, and he has accrued at least an additional seven months of experience since the September 2018 closing date. Based on the circumstances presented, good cause has been established to relax the provisions of *N.J.A.C.* 4A:4-2.1(f) and *N.J.A.C.* 4A:4-2.3(b) to accept the appellant's additional provisional experience beyond the closing date and admit him to the examination.

### ORDER

Therefore, it is ordered that this appeal be granted, the examination cancellation be rescinded, and the appellant's application be processed.

This is the final administrative determination in this matter. Any further review should be pursued in a judicial forum.

DECISION RENDERED BY THE  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON  
THE 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019



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